

A SUBTERFUGE
SAYS WITTEOf a Sensational Report Sent
Out Today

TO SECURE INDEMNITY.

Peace Conference Is Held Together by
the Narrowest Thread and Break-
Up Is Possible To-
morrow.

Portsmouth, N. H., August 28.—"That is merely an incorrect version of what I explained to you a few days ago. It is an attempt by Japan to get indemnity under another name and Russia rejected it." This statement was made to the Publishers Press by Witte this afternoon, when asked about a sensational report sent out by a news agency that President Roosevelt has been authorized by Japan to waive all question of indemnity and offer to sell half of Sakhalin, the "redemption price" to be fixed by a mixed commission composed of representatives of neutral European powers.

HANGING BY A THREAD.

And the Tiny Strand Will Not Be Broken
Today.

Portsmouth, August 28.—At 10 o'clock last night after a conference lasting three quarters of an hour, between Takahira and M. Witte in the latter's room in the hotel annex, the announcement of the postponement of the peace conference to tomorrow at 3 was made.

M. Witte explained that Mr. Takahira had told him that no new instructions had reached him from Tokio and fearing none might be received before the meeting today, he had suggested the propriety of postponing the meeting until Tuesday. To this M. Witte said he had readily assented. Mr. Takahira made the following statement:

"Inasmuch as this conference was initiated by the friendly offices of your president, after consultation, we felt that we should be cautious about terminating its labors."

Pressed as to whether he regarded the situation as hopeless, Mr. Takahira said:

"No, not hopeless, but almost hopeless. This, in itself, from one who has spoken always in the most guarded fashion, is sufficient to show the despatch of the situation."

The real crisis in the negotiations is at hand. It is very acute, but if it can be lifted over for a few days without a rupture, a basis of peace acceptable to both sides may come very suddenly. But to save the situation now, Japan must speak. If, on Tuesday, she has nothing to offer, all is over."

M. Witte, even if he would, is powerless to make a new step. His hands are tied. He now occupies the role of an imperial messenger who transmits his master's orders to Baron Komura, and Baron Komura turns them over to Tokio for the response. The conference room has ceased to be a place for negotiations. It is simply the place where the emperors of the warring countries exchange their communications by the hands of their envoys.

And upon the point of indemnity or "reimbursement of frais de guerre" under any disguise, Emperor Nicholas has given the mikado his last word. M. Witte accepts it as final, and in writing Saturday informed the Japanese plenipotentiaries that Russia would have nothing further to say upon the subject. Russia would cede half of Sakhalin and pay the cost of the maintenance of the Russian prisoners, but that was all. Emperor Nicholas had given the same response to the president through Ambassador Meyer.

Russians Rather Pleased.

The Russians generally seem not displeased with the situation. They believe Japan has been diplomatically maneuvered into a corner from which if she now persists in her attempt to exact tribute with the alternative of a continuation of the war, she cannot extricate herself before the public opinion of the world. Japan here and in Europe, they say, appealed for sympathy on the ground that Russia had compelled her to take up arms to protect her life. The fortune of war had gone in her favor, and Russia, recognizing that she had been beaten, and preferring peace to the continuation of the war, had agreed to cede upon every point involved in the quarrel.

She was willing to allow Japan full swing in Korea. She was willing to get out of Manchuria bag and baggage, and commit herself to the recognition of China's integrity and the policy of "the open door." But Japan insisted upon tribute and because Russia refused, prolongs the carnage. In that act they contend Japan would change the purpose and character of the war, which would cease to be longer one of principle, but degenerate into a war for the exaction of money.

There is no doubt that the Japanese are worried over this aspect of the situation and they do not propose to be placed in this position if it can be helped. With the sentiment existing in Japan demanding reimbursement for the expenses of the war, a money payment beyond what would be obtained for the maintenance of Russian prisoners and the Chinese Eastern railroad could not be foregone. But if redemption by Russia could be placed upon purely commercial basis, Russia might agree to it.

Logic points in this direction of ultimate compromise if there is to be one.

OPTIMISTIC IN LONDON.

Believed That Peace Will Be Signed
Anyway.

London, Aug. 28.—Optimistic feeling which has been shared by members of the diplomatic corps, that peace would be soon declared, still prevails. A high diplomat said this afternoon that he believed peace would be declared. He said: "Even if the Portsmouth conference breaks up and the envoys leave America without signing the treaty, there would still be great room for the belief that such a move would be only a final bluff on the part of the Czar and that a treaty would be concluded by direct negotiations between St. Petersburg and Tokio before and battle has been fought."

COUNCIL IN SESSION.

Japan's Statesmen Discussing Conference
Phases.

Tokio, Aug. 28, 7.45 a. m.—A specially summoned council of the cabinet and elder statesmen is now in session discussing the latest phases of the peace conference at Portsmouth.

A NEW APPEAL?

Persistent Report That the President Is
at Work Again.

Portsmouth, Aug. 28.—There is a persistent report that President Roosevelt has made a new appeal to the emperor of Japan.

OLD BUILDING BURNED.

Landmark in Fairfax, Built Over 100
Years Ago.

Fairfax, Aug. 28.—On Saturday, the 7th anniversary of the big fire in the "Hollis" here, fire was discovered at 10.45 in the building known as the Old Hampton Lovegrove Hotel and in an hour and a quarter the building was in ashes. How the fire started is not known but it was discovered burning in the partition at the foot of the stairs. During the day the chimney had burned out and the occupants of the house had poured several pails of water on a fire that started then in the partition. It is possible they did not put the fire all out. Others think the fire was incendiary.

The building was owned by Miss Susan B. Sowles of St. Albans. It was the oldest building in town, being over 100 years old. One part of it was occupied by C. F. St. Pierre as a general store, who lost his entire stock of goods. The other part was a tenement occupied by Joseph Young. A part of his goods were saved in a damaged condition.

The building was insured for \$350; St. Pierre's stock of goods for \$2,000 and Young's goods for \$350.

CRUSHED UNDER LOAD.

Six Years Old St. Albans Boy Run Over
by Team.

St. Albans, Aug. 28.—Philip, the six-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Sheridan E. Perkins of England street, died yesterday afternoon between twelve and one o'clock from the effects of injuries received by falling in under a load of sand at 11.45 o'clock Saturday morning. The child was playing with some other children on Barlow street near his home and as he was in the habit of doing so either getting on the load of sand or just getting off when he fell, the back wheels passing over the little boy's leg and bowels. The sand and wagon weighed about five tons. He was picked up and taken to his home and Dr. E. A. Hyatt summoned. There was no hope for the child from the first though everything possible was done to alleviate his sufferings.

The team was driven by Anson Hatch of Rutland, who says the first he knew of the boy being near the wagon was when he heard his cries. No one saw the accident except his playmates who were with him. He is survived by his parents and three brothers and sisters. He was a grandson of Capt. Hiram E. Perkins, prominent in Grand Army circles.

SUES FOR PART OF PROFITS.

George E. Trick of Burlington Thinks
He Didn't Get His Share.

Burlington, August 28.—Papers were served Saturday in a case brought by George E. Trick vs. L. P. Wood, in which the plaintiff claims that the profits accruing from the sale of liquor under a license held by Mr. Wood from May 1, 1903, to May 1, 1904, were not divided according to the partnership agreement. The suit is brought through J. J. Enright and the papers were served by Deputy Sheriff Lord.

The license was of the second class and the place of business was on the northeast corner of Church and Bank streets. Mr. Trick claims he was an equal partner with Mr. Wood in the venture. He claims that Mr. Wood made a partial settlement with him, but that \$2,000 is still due. The case is returnable in county court and will probably be tried in March.

DROVE OUT AUDIENCE.

A Rutland Priest Would Not Allow
Them to Witness Italian Wedding.

Rutland, August 28.—Father T. J. Gaffney, rector of St. Peter's church, was so ruffled by the curiosity of a large crowd that filled his church yesterday afternoon in an effort to witness the wedding of Miss Marguerita Ricci, aged 14, to Pasquale Molinoli, aged 26, that he ordered all of the people out, telling them that the wedding ceremony had been postponed. "This is not the park theatre," he said from the altar, "and I want those who came here with the expectation of seeing something curious to understand that they are doing it in the spirit of criticism more than anything else." After the indignant church full of people, many of whom were the Rev. Gaffney's own parishioners, had filed out, the wedding ceremony was performed.

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FATALITY ON
EXCURSIONTrain Dashed Into Rear of
Freight at Logansport, M. D.

KILLING TWO TRAINMEN.

Many Others Were Injured — Several
Cars Topped Over Embankment
When Going at High
Rate of Speed.

Logansport, August 28.—One person was instantly killed, one died later from injuries and many others were injured in a wreck this morning on a Pennsylvania excursion train returning to this city from Cincinnati. The train was killed outright, being crushed beneath the engine. The engine was thrown beneath the locomotive, and both legs were severed. He died later. The train was dived three miles southwest of this city. Several cars toppled over an embankment. As the train entered the south yards at a high rate of speed, it dashed into the tail of a freight drawing off the main track.

HANGED AND RIDDLED.

Negro Met Death at Hands of a Mob
Yesterday.

Newbern, N. C., August 28.—John Moore, a negro 20 years old, was taken from Craven county jail in this city early yesterday and lynched by a mob of 10 masked men armed with rifles and revolvers.

With his hands tied behind him, the negro was led from the jail to the draw of Neuse river bridge, hanged to one of its braces and his body riddled with bullets. As soon as the attack was discovered the naval reserves were called out to prevent the lynching. Crowds rushed to the bridge and Sheriff J. W. Riddle was quickly on the scene pleading that Moore be left to the law, but his efforts were unavailing.

Moore entered the country store of George Eubanks at Clark's last Friday, when the proprietor's wife was there alone. The negro attempted robbery and struck Mrs. Eubanks on the head with an axe, inflicting dangerous wounds. Mrs. Eubanks screamed and people came to her rescue. The negro fled, but was captured.

ESCAPED FROM JAIL.

Two Prisoners Got Away From New
York Yesterday.

Albany, Aug. 28.—Two prisoners awaiting trial on charges, one of murder, the other of burglary, escaped yesterday afternoon from the Albany penitentiary, and are still at large. Casino Bielle, accused of having shot and killed Thomas Redmond in this city last February and Thomas Mart, charged with burglarizing a local pool room on the night of July 4, dug their way through the ceiling of their cell about 4.30 yesterday afternoon and escaped over the roof. Their escape was not discovered until supper time. The penitentiary officials can give no explanation of the escape or the long time before it was discovered.

Part of the penitentiary is used as the county jail, and it was from this part of the institution that the prisoners escaped.

MAY STRIKE AGAIN.

John Mitchell Says His Men Will Go Out
Next April.

Tamaqua, Pa., Aug. 28.—John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, in a speech at Manila Park yesterday made an unequivocal declaration that his organization will at the expiration of the present wage agreement in April next, demand recognition of the union and an eight-hour day.

President Mitchell said that he hoped that by that time he would be able to go before George F. Baer, president of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway company and pointing to 150,000 men and boys who are employed in and about the mines say: "We have fixed the price for our labor. You can take it or leave it."

OLD CANAL GATE BROKE.

Flooding of Water Causes Over \$5,000
Damage at Berlin, N. H.

Berlin, N. H., Aug. 28.—With a sudden burst, a column of water three feet deep burst through the concrete sidewalk on Main street at 6.30 o'clock last night, sweeping everything clean for 500 yards, flooding cellars and a few store floors doing damage estimated at over \$5,000.

The break was in the old gate of the International mills canal. This water was promptly cut off and mills No. 4, 5 and 6 will be shut down pending repairs by the crew already at work. The macadam on Main street last summer was entirely removed for most of the distance.

NEW AMERICAN RECORD.

Walter Christie Drove an Automobile a
Kilometer in 2:23 2-5 Seconds.

Cape May, Aug. 28.—Walter Christie, in his 130-horse power automobile racer, lowered his own and the American kilometer record on the beach here yesterday to 2:23 2-5 seconds, and coming within two seconds of the world's record made at Ostend, Belgium. He won the Cape May \$500 kilometer cup for this feat. The trials for kilometer records had been postponed from Friday.

SURRENDERS
HIMSELFEdwin S. Holmes, Charged
With Conspiracy,

WAS INDICTED LAST WEEK

Charged With Conspiracy With Prema-
ture Use of Government Crop
Report, Was in Agricultural
Department.

Washington, August 28.—Edwin S. Holmes, former associate statistician of the department of agriculture, voluntarily surrendered himself to the United States marshal this morning in response to an indictment found last week by the grand jury, charging him with conspiracy in connection with the premature use of the government crop report.

Later Holmes was brought before Justice Stafford and a bond was fixed at \$10,000, which he gave. District Attorney Beach endeavored to have the bond placed at \$20,000, stating that the government had discovered that Holmes recently sold a gold mine out west for \$75,000. He had sold other property for \$50,000, and held \$50,000, deposited in various safety deposit boxes. Holmes salary as a government official is only \$2,200 a year.

BRAVE BOY DIED.

Received Fatal Injuries in Readfield,
Maine, Fire.

Readfield, Me., August 28.—Robert Boutwell, the hero of the hotel fire at Lake Maranacook Saturday morning, in which three Boston persons were burned to death and several injured, died yesterday. Former State Representative Harvey L. Boutwell of Malden, Mass., the father of the young man, was at his bedside. Young Boutwell was clerk at the Hotel Maranacook and, after the fire had been discovered by the crew of the passing train, he awakened the 60 or more guests in the hotel. In doing this he was severely burned about the head and hands, and inhaled both smoke and fire.

Boutwell saved Miss Margaret Hermann from death by drowning Thursday night, when the boat in which she was seated was demolished by the steamer Maranacook.

Mr. Boutwell dove from the steamer and reached the struggling girl after she had gone down twice, and managed to keep her above water until relieved by persons in a boat. He was 20 years old.

NORTHFIELD'S LABOR DAY.

Preparations Being Made for a General
Observance.

Northfield, August 28.—The 3rd annual celebration of Labor Day will take place here on the public square Monday, Sept. 4, under the auspices of organized labor. The speaker of the day will be Philip J. Halvosa, state organizer of A. F. of L., who will speak from the band stand at 1:30. The parade will start at 9:30. The sports will consist of 23 events, all with valuable prizes, the committee on arrangements being as follows: James A. Bracey, Andrew Beattie, Andrew Kelley, James Reid, James Nicol, James Clark, John McCone, Judas, Helmer C. Gady, Joseph T. Lanes and Henry W. Orser; starter, Charles A. Plunkey. In the evening there will be a grand concert and ball in the armory. Wilder's orchestra of six pieces from Montpelier will furnish music.

THREE ARE DEAD.

Ptomaine Poisoning on Island in Boston
Harbor.

Boston, Aug. 28.—Three members of the same family died on Peddock's island, Boston Harbor, yesterday of ptomaine poisoning. The dead are Anthony Games, 67 years of age, of East Cambridge, his son-in-law, Joseph Oliver, 38 years of age, and the latter's son, Joseph Oliver, Jr., about three years of age.

MUST APPLY FOR TICKETS.

All Vermonters Will Be Admitted to
the Launching of the Vermont.

Walden, August 28.—Gov. C. J. Bell is anxious to have Vermonters who wish to see the launching of the new battleship Vermont understand how to gain admission to the ship yards. Arrangements have been made through Adjutant General Gilmore to have necessary space reserved for Vermonters, but anyone intending to see the launching should write to the Fore River Shipbuilding Co., inform it of their stopping place and tickets of admission will be left there for them. The train for Fall River will leave Boston at 9:25 in the morning and the exercises will take place at 10:30 or eleven o'clock.

SUICIDE AFTER SERMON.

Illinois Man Killed Himself in Minne-
apolis Church.

Minneapolis, August 28.—At the close of Rev. W. B. Riley's address at the First Baptist church yesterday, a man, who is thought to be W. Rowen of Sublette, Ill., got up and fired a bullet through his heart, dying instantly. A draft for \$700 was found on his person. At the report of the revolver many women became greatly frightened.

HE DECLINES CALL
TO LOCAL CHURCHRev. H. A. Davenport of Bridgeport,
Conn., Decides Not to Come
to Barre Presbyterian
Congregation.

At the morning service of the Presbyterian church yesterday William Duff read a communication to the church from the Rev. Henry A. Davenport, D. D., of Bridgeport, Conn., stating that for various reasons he could not accept the call which had been given him from this church. The call was extended to Rev. Davenport at a meeting of the church held August 8th. The letter in reply was as follows:

Bridgeport, Conn.,
Aug. 24th, 1905.
Mr. Wm. Duff, Barre, Vt.—My dear Brother: When your church proposition came to me, I was just starting out on my vacation, and had Sabbath engagements for the 13th and 20th in central New York. Agreeably to promise in letter sent you last week, I came home Monday in the midst of my summer rest, to consult with friends in family and church. After careful consideration, these say, "Do not go."

It is with peculiar feelings that I write this, for my interest has been greatly drawn out toward you. The kindliness of the people, and the opportunities for church growth, have attracted me greatly. Besides, having been here so long, I felt as if it might give me a new lease of life and service to change to the mountains. But Providence seems to say, not just yet.

My regret for the Barre Presbyterian church will ever be the greater for my brief visit there. Give the brethren of the session, and friends of the congregation, the assurance of my Christian regard, and best wishes.

Fraternally yours,
HENRY A. DAVENPORT.

FUNERAL YESTERDAY.

Miss Lois Hall's Remains Taken to Wil-
liamstown for Interment.

The funeral of the late Lois Hall was held yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of A. B. Curtis of Pleasant street, the Rev. George H. Watt officiating. The body was taken to Williamstown for interment. The floral tributes were as follows: Pillow, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Curtis; wreath, Mrs. Glyson and Mrs. Peter Thom; star, Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Avery; asters, Mrs. Thomas Davidson, Mrs. Duncan McMillan, Mrs. Baril, Mrs. Waveroff, Mrs. Mayo, the L. O. T. M., Miss Alice Pike, Ruth Glyson, Mr. and Mrs. Reaside, Mr. and Mrs. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. Blackmore, Mr. and Mrs. D. Cilley, Mrs. Cowie; roses, Christina Bau, Mrs. Birnie and Lynd, sweet peas, Francis Baril; bouquets, Cecil Place, Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Mary Greenon, Arthur Blackmore, Josephine Provencer, Mrs. O. W. Lewis, G. L. Pyper, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Place and Earl Davidson.

The bearers were A. B. Curtis, William Avery, E. A. Bugbee and Robert Reaside.

CAR MEN AFFILIATE.

Employees of Traction Company in the
State Federation.

At a meeting held at the car barn Saturday evening, the motemen and conductors of the electric railroad unanimously voted to join the State Branch. President P. F. McCarthy and Secretary Alex's Ironside were in attendance on behalf of the State Branch.

SCOUTING FOR BALL PLAYERS.

Some Intercity Ball Players May Get
Call to Big Company.

George A. Hough, athletic director at the University of Illinois, and scout for Manager Selee of the Chicago National ball team, is here and will watch the Intercity team play against Rutland this afternoon, so it appears possible that some of the Barre and Montpelier representatives may appear in big league company another season. Mr. Hough saw the team play at Rutland Saturday and said that the boys put up a good game. Asked if any of the team will be given an invitation to bigger company he said:

"I should presume likely, but I have nothing to say at the present time."

Mr. Hough is the man who recommended Ashmore to Manager Selee. Ashmore was employed in the athletic director's office at the University of Illinois, besides being prominent in sports there. Hough is also the scout who secured Ruelbach for the Chicago Nationals. He reports that Manager Selee considers Ruelbach the find of the season, and says of him: "He is the most promising young pitcher I have ever seen come onto the diamond."

MEETING CLOSED.

East Montpelier Camp-Meeting Associa-
tion Elects Officers for Year.

East Montpelier, Aug. 28.—At the adjourned business meeting of the East Montpelier Camp-meeting Association held Saturday afternoon the following officers were elected: president, J. A. Ward of Pawtucket; vice president, J. C. Briggs of Somerville, Mass.; secretary, George Maker of Barre; treasurer, Rev. G. A. Moore of Montpelier. The meetings closed last evening with a very large attendance. Outside of the regular collections \$150 was raised.

STILL INVESTIGATING.

County Authorities Busy on the Hackett
Mystery.

Readfield, Me., Aug. 28.—Throughout the entire day yesterday the county authorities busied themselves in investigating further the mystery surrounding the death of Miss Mattie Hackett of Kent's hill, who was murdered a week ago last Thursday night. The officers were reticent as the result of their investigations yesterday.

BERLIN MAN'S
BODY FOUNDWilliam H. Turner, a Well
Known Farmer.

PROBABLY AN ACCIDENT.

Likely That He Fell From Bridge to
Rocks, 12 Feet Below, During a
Fit of Epilepsy Saturday
Afternoon.

William Henry Turner, a farmer residing in the town of Berlin, was killed on Saturday afternoon by falling from a bridge near his home and striking his head on the rocks 12 feet below. No one witnessed the accident, but it is supposed that he fell during a fit of epilepsy, to which he was subject.

Mr. Turner started out soon after noon to cut bushes from the side of the road. It is probable that he was crossing the bridge at the time he was taken with the fit. His head struck squarely on a rock, and the skull was crushed. Death must have been instantaneous. The body was discovered late in the afternoon by Fred Keegan and Don DeColla of Montpelier, who were driving past.

The deceased was 55 years of age and leaves a widow and three children. He was quite prominent in Berlin. The funeral will be held from the church at Berlin tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock.

STOLEN MILEAGES ON HIM.

But William Murphy of Burlington Says
He Found Them.

William Murphy of Burlington will have to face the charge of robbing the Cross store and post office in Gouldsville on the night of August 11. Murphy was arrested by Chief of Police John Hutchinson of Northfield, into whose hands the case was put by Post Office Inspector Rapp of Burlington. Murphy was about Gouldsville looking for work when arrested. In his possession were found 861 worth of mileages, which bore the numbers of those taken from the store. The man under arrest says that he found the mileages and that he was not in Gouldsville until last Wednesday. Chief Hutchinson says that he has a witness to prove that Murphy was seen in Gouldsville the day before the robbery.

Murphy was taken from the county jail to Northfield for a hearing to afternoon.

HELD A PICNIC.

Lumpers, Boxers and Derrickmen at Cal-
edonia Park.

The Lumpers, Boxers and Derrickmen's Union held their annual picnic at Caledonia Park, Saturday afternoon. The weather was all that could be desired during the early part of the afternoon and over 200 people gathered at the grounds to enjoy one of the most successful outings of the season.

Refreshments of various kinds had been provided and everyone seemed to be having a very good time. In the pavilion Charles Bishop's orchestra furnished music for dancing during the afternoon. The committee who had the picnic in charge were: L. N. Gauthier, chairman, C. J. Allen, George Riddle, Lewis Dudley, Walter Cologne, Leon Carroll and Elected Blair.

WENT DOWN WITH BRIDGE.

A. Twombly of Northfield Was Only
Stunned for an Hour.

Northfield, August 28.—A. Twombly was the victim of a peculiar accident Saturday evening. He is a driver for the Rabidun Lumber company, and was engaged in drawing logs down the mountain. While crossing a bridge near the state quarries the entire bridge went down, carrying him and his team. Twombly was stunned and did not regain consciousness for an hour. People held the horses' heads above the water, so that the animals were not drowned. Twombly was not injured, outside of the bad jarring which he got.

It is said the stringers of the bridge were too short for the abutments.

He Freed His Mind.

The Times has received the follow-
ing communication:

"Mr. Langley publisher of the daily times awhile ago we saw the sentence for Mary Rogers the hole community fought against it and at last have got it just what you men wanted it—that she is insane and in a little while will be free again. Now is it money or the nice woman that don this now. Hope yone has had his travel and must be hanged by the neck till dead when she says she is innocent you law makers say it is not right to hang they ought to shut up for life is one murderer a y better than another or has one got friends that has money it goes to show that Mary Rogers had both if they are going to hang one and let the other go sinking what is the law good for if our law makers feel right in so doing and the Judge also may God have mercy on your soul."

"This I want you to Print. It is no dirt in it. It shows that a sinner of Barre has freed his mind."

"W. P. M."